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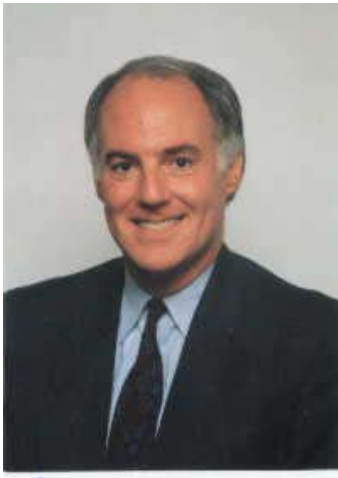
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WARING HOWE ELECTED COMMISSION CHAIR



Columbia, South Carolina--- Waring S. Howe, Jr. a Charleston attorney, was elected Chair of the S.C. Commission on Consumer Affairs at a recent meeting. Appointed in 2001 by Governor Jim Hodges, Howe succeeds Mrs. Barbara B. League, president of a Greenville manufacturing company, as chair. Dr. Lonnie Randolph was elected vice chair at the meeting.

A lifelong resident of Charleston, Howe is a member of Wando High School's first graduating class in 1974. During two legislative sessions, he served as a research aide for the Senate Finance Committee. After graduating from Clemson in 1978 with a degree in Political Science, Howe received a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law in

1982.

In 1984, Howe began his legal career in a practice started by his father in 1949. Lowcountry residents may also remember when he was a regular panelist on the local television talk show, *Carolina Gang*. From 1992-1999, Howe served on the Board of Governors of the South Carolina Trial Lawyers Association and for twelve years was a member of the Charleston County Aviation Authority, serving four years as its chairman. Howe and his wife Shelley, who is originally from Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, have two children, Waring, III (6 ½), and Natalie (4 ½).

In a statement released today, Howe commented that following the excellent leadership of Chairman League, he is honored to preside over the Commission and excited by this new opportunity to continue protecting and promoting the interests of South Carolina consumers. Howe also said that South Carolinians can indeed be proud of the department, since it has been a

clear and unique voice for bringing together leaders in business, government and consumer advocacy to discuss consumer issues.

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